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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115 AND PROVISIONAL
ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 WITH TRAVERSE**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated October 6, 2003 in connection with the above-identified patent application and in accordance with Rule 115 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Applicants submit herewith: 1) Amendment Fee Transmittal (in duplicate) accompanied by the appropriate fee; and 2) Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate) for a period of four (4) months, from November 6, 2003, up to and including March 8, 2004, accompanied by the appropriate fee.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are represented by the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.